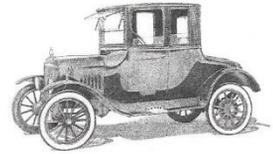




Band Chatter



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March Tour to Wimberly

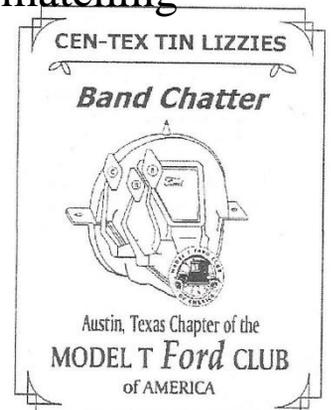
By John Anderson

It was a beautiful Saturday morning as we gathered at the Treadwell's in Dripping Springs. After never ending rain the two days before the sun was a welcome sight.

As usual, Denise had great goodies for us on the patio. A new edition was the pepper flavored vodka for bloody marys and there were several who were brave enough to sample this new treat.

We got underway right on time and headed out to the west on Fitzhugh Road. After a while we turned to the South and wound through the windy roads crossing U S 290 at one point. The beautiful hill country was at it's finest as there were plenty of wildflowers and green leaves sprouting everywhere.

Arriving at our destination, we were treated to a gorgeous stone fence with a matching very large house in matching stone. Entering the house we were treated to a myriad of assorted lunch goodies and everyone helped themselves. We were surrounded by all kinds of historic swords, knives, and rifles and pistols belonging to another Jeff, Jeff Goodson.



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MINUTES OF THE MARCH 2016 MEETING



By Secretary Joyce Shierlow

The regular monthly meeting of the Cen-Tex Tin Lizzies was called to order by President Robert Norberg at 7pm on Tuesday, March 15, 2016. There were 17 members and no guests present. Robert asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes as written in the BAND CHATTER and since there were none Karen Ross made a motion to accept the minutes as written and Carolyn Spillers seconded the motion. Motion carried. Robert also stated that the San Antonio Club has decided to join the MODEL T FORD CLUB INTERNATIONAL.

Jan Donnell gave the Treasurers' report and there is a positive balance in the bank account. She also said that a donation to the MTFCA was made in memory of Nick Unger's mom who passed recently. Bob Ross made a motion to accept the treasurers' report as given and J.C. Carter seconded the motion and the motion carried.

The Wellness Report was given and it was noted that Joyce Shierlow is back from her extended hospital and rehab stays.

Randy Brown as Webmaster of our club website stated that our renewal dues for the next 3 years was due so he paid it and he has been repaid.

Robert thanked John Anderson for the improvements that he has made to the newsletter.

The MTFCA museum has acquired a 2 lever 1910 Model T.

Chickasha, Okla. Swap meet has been losing venders and customers over the past few years, so it is questionable how much longer they will continue to hold the swap meets.

Vic Donnell will give the program for April and he asked if perhaps he was "railroaded" into giving it. Robert asked Vic if there was anything to add to the article in the newsletter about the last garage workshop at the Clark's home. Vic stated that it was an interesting morning with numerous trips around the block, tires in bad shape ie: hard tires that didn't need air. He thanked all who had helped in getting the car started.

A letter from the Clarks thanked all who attended the workshop and helped get the car started.

They were impressed with the friendship of the members of the club and happy to learn how to drive their Model T.

CALENDAR: The next club tour will be Saturday, March 19th. All will meet at the Treadwell's home and tour around Dripping Springs. Lunch will be at Jeff Goodson's near Wimberley. Tour will depart from the Treadwell's between 10 and 10:15 am.

George Brunner has planned a tour for Saturday, March 26th to attend the Crawfish Boil at the Senior Center in Dripping Springs.

Tom Romberg has planned the Blue Bonnet tour for April 2, 2016 in La Grange as a garage tour at Arnold Romberg's to see his Pierce Arrow car and then go to Murphy's Steak House for lunch.

SHOW & TELL: Steve Hadorn brought some 1920's ice tongs; Vic Donnell brought a Kingston carburetor. Steve won for the best show and tell item.

Jan Donnell won the 50/50 drawing.

There will be a Fly-In/Drive-In at Zuehl Field-FAA Identifier 1TE4 near Sequin on May 21st.

See the flyer on another page of this newsletter.

We took a break to have refreshments that were brought by Joe Pinnelli.

J.C. Carter gave the program with a video of the assembly line at the Ford Factory. Henry Ford introduced the first assembly line on December 1, 1913. The video showed it in action. Not quite like the modern day assembly lines.

George Brunner made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Bob Ross seconded the motion. Motion carried.



I finally got my Depot Hack engine back together, of course it was after we had 2 great tours, thankfully we were able to attend both tours by hitching a ride with Jan & Vic Donnell.

I fired it up to make sure all was well before installing the cooling system and it sounded so sweet and I was a happy camper. However when I went to install the lower radiator tube & hose I realized that the timer control rod was in the way and not long enough to bend around the tube. Simple enough to fix I thought as I had a longer rod to switch it out with. So in went the other rod, lining it up on the timer in the exact position that the shorter one was in. It cleared the lower hose with lots of room to spare, I added the coolant and thought GREAT I'm ready to slap on the hood and go touring. NOT! I went to start it and it did not fire up right away, instead it popped and spit and sputtered and died. What the XXXX is going on, I thought, well after fiddling with it for what seemed like all afternoon I finally gave up, deciding that the "other" rod just had too much give in it. At this point I am in the process of making a new rod that I hope will cure the problem.

I look forward to seeing you all at our next meeting on Tuesday April 19th 2016. Remember that the 50/50 raffle is drawn AFTER the break (oh, that note was for me).

Till next month

Robert Norberg - President

Show & Tell Winner - March



Steve Hadorn



Who will be the winner in April?

Tech Sessions from long ago



Tour to Wimberly, Continued



George and Todd



The Gang on the patio



The Happy Hostess



Deer in the headlights?



Bill Stephens



The Tour Group



More of the Group



The Gang with Jeff Goodson

Shhh! Shhh! It Was A Secret Tour!

By Tom Romberg

Psst! Don't tell anyone! It was a secret tour. They might get jealous or be sorry that they did not go. John and Sue Anderson with his Model T, Joe Pinnelli and Carlton Karl with his Model TT truck, and Tom Romberg, son Matt Romberg, and grandsons Zachary (8) and Wyatt (5) in Tom's Model T, were chaperoned by Vic and Jan Donnell, Robert Norberg and Juan Barraza.

We all met at the Fayette County Fairgrounds and then proceeded after unloading to Arnold Romberg's garage in the center of La Grange, where Tony Hajek from San Antonio joined the group (and where Joe actually met us and unloaded).

At Arnold's we had coffee, juice, sweet's, a bathroom break, and his three Pearce Arrows to look at. Arnold was kind enough to give rides around the La Grange square in one of his cars, to the delight of those who went.

After an hour we headed off to Winchester, about 15 miles away to have lunch at the Murphy's Steakhouse. After a delightful meal we wandered next door to the icecream parlor for the dessert. Then back to the Fairgrounds we went where we let Matt and the boys off. They reported later to their mother that they had a good time.

The rest of us headed 22 miles toward the Willie Cordes ranch via backroads near Schulenburg. Along the way we were treated to sightings of deer, turkeys, lots of wildflowers, hawks, a watercrossing, and a leisurely pace of 22 to 24 miles per hour.

As we entered the gate Willie greeted us and proceeded to take us on his barn tour and wow was it a tour! There were countless barns and storage areas full of Model T's in all conditions, rust buckets to fully restored. Parts were hung from the rafters including bodies, fenders, etc. It was a sight to behold. His sons and friends joined in with grand children too. One of the boys drove the farm Model TT truck with hay on the bed around with kids sitting on the hay. Sadly the remains of a barn which had several tractors in it when it burned recently remained. One secret barn was off limits because of failing floors and unstable walls, so he said. Maybe it is home of the good stuff!

A leisurely drive back to the Fairgrounds followed along more country roads. It was a fine tour. No breakdowns occurred. We drove 74 miles altogether. No one got lost. We had a good time.

But don't tell that to the people who didn't see the notice, or had to repair a sewer, or had to repair damage from a fallen tree, or had to lead the baseball field activity, or (fill in the blank). The weather was splendid, the company too! But please keep it a secret. Someone might get their feelings hurt for having missed it.

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Pictures of the Bluebonnet Tour 2016



Our tour leader arrives



Our Photographer arrives



Arnold took everyone for a ride



Yes, everyone!



We are an eating club!



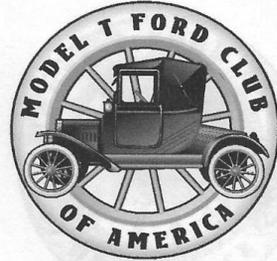
Our hosts



The Whole Group!



39th Annual Texas T-Party



September 28 - October 2, 2016
Stephenville, Texas

HOTEL INFORMATION

Planning is well underway for this years tour, we are very excited to announce that we will be attending the Ranger Fly-In & Airshow on Saturday, October 1st along with many other stops and events.

We are planning on driving Wednesday, September 28th, the rates below are good from Monday, September 26th thru Sunday, October 2nd.

Below is the hotel information - it is **EXTREMELY URGENT** that you make your reservations **NOW!** The hotels completely fill up in Stephenville on this weekend due to the Tarlington University homecoming game and events.

While you can book your rooms now you can cancel later if necessary.

HOST HOTEL:

Holiday Inn Express - 121 S. Lockhart, Stephenville, TX

254-965-8899 - Use the Block Code - TTP

All rooms are non smoking and No Pets

Rates: 1 King or 2 Queens - \$89.00 + tax = \$100.57 per night

1st OVERFLOW HOTEL:

La Quinta Inn & Suites- 105 Christy Plaza, Stephenville, TX

254-918-2444 - Use the Block Code - TTP

All rooms are non smoking, ACCEPTS PETS!

Rates: 1 King - \$115.00 + tax / 2 Double Bed - \$105.00 + tax

1 Suite available - \$125.00 + tax

RV PARKING:

Lost Creek RV Park - 1962 US 281, Stephenville, TX

254-965-6223 - Ask for Jason - No Rates Available until after May 1st

Please contact Kathy Harris - 214-801-5288 or khdh59@yahoo.com
if you have questions or need assistance.



39th Annual Texas T-Party

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COUNT US IN!

Below is the 2016 pre-registration form that you can complete and bring with a \$25.00 deposit (checks preferred) to the banquet on Saturday night - or mail back to the address below.

This will hold your spot for next years tour and not have to do a full registration until the middle of 2016.

Name: _____

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Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

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